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Title: **STARTER HOUSING FOR GAS DISCHARGE LAMP, AND METHOD OF MOUNTING SAME**

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE

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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated March 18, 2009, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application and consider the following remarks.

This paper includes (each beginning on a separate sheet):

1. **Amendments to the Claims**, reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2;
and
2. **Applicant's Remarks**, beginning on page 4.